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Learning Programme Unit □□□□□

Theme for the Week

God is with us

The virgin will become pregnant and give birth to a son and they will name him Emmanuel which means God is with us

Matthew

God is with us Christmas reminds us that God isn't a far away ruler who won't get his hands dirty with the struggles and sufferings of his people. No God instead became born as one of us - one who would suffer as a refugee as someone living under occupation as someone who would suffer bereavement as someone persecuted and as someone who would die

God with us means that God loves us

Holy God

You came among us as a vulnerable baby

Help us when we are sad or lonely

to remember that you are with us always

This Christmas let us not forget that we celebrate

the birth of Jesus - of God with us

so that it will be a true celebration

Amen



Year Gifted and Talented

'Festive Writing Competition'

Well done to all the pupils in the Year Gifted and Talented English Cohort who entered the 'Festive Writing Competition'

The quality of all the entries was outstanding with a great deal of thought and imagination going into every one of the stories

1st Reece Sellers AL

2nd Alex Bell JA

3rd Melanie Ferguson AB

4th Courtney Quigley EC



Mass Morning Prayer

Morning Prayer takes place every Tuesday and Thursday in the Chapel during Advent from □□□□□□□□□□□□□□□□

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COLLEGE CAROL SERVICE

Jesus Amongst Us



The College Carol Service will take place at 7pm on Wednesday 13th December in College Hall. The service will be an opportunity to reflect and pray as well as to join in singing traditional Christmas Carols and hear the Christmas Story.

Tickets will be available from College Reception.

Design Technology Department Trip to Clothes Show Live

On Monday 11th pupils from SJP led by Mrs Boyland attended the fashion event of the year - Clothes Show Live at the Birmingham NEC.

The show was packed with inspiration for our pupils. There were fabulous stands showing the key seasonal trends in high street, chic, vintage, urban and ethical fashions. GCSE textiles Pupils were also able to discuss higher education opportunities with the top fashion colleges who were showing their brilliant graduate collections on the fashion college catwalk.



The trip allowed GCSE and A Level pupils to get some great first hand research into fashion brands and latest trends and to watch a professional fashion show. Their findings will form a key part of the research phase of their coursework.

The Textiles Pupils were accompanied by some Year 10 English Students who were writing a magazine article about the latest 'Size Zero' craze and used the show as a valuable chance to interview their target audience - young males and females about their thoughts on size zero girls.

Girls' Football

The Year 10 Girls' football team took on South Wirral last week and came away with a victory. This was part of the side inter school football league. The girls had a strong team with great goals from Jessica Partridge (Yr 10), Lauren Lefebvre (Yr 10), Ashlea Ryan (Yr 10) and Ellie Boughey (Yr 10). Amina Talib (Yr 10) had a brilliant game in goal.

Well done Girls!



SCHOOL MURAL COMPETITION

Mr Quinn wants to make SJPA a more user friendly place to work and learn in for both pupils and staff. You may have noticed some of the changes he has made which are already benefiting all of us who work in the school environment. Such as water dispensers, exotic plants and comfortable seating in the reception area, a one way system that makes movement around the place easier and safer for all, a change of colour scheme in the corridors, lots of pictures adorning the walls and in College Hall as well as hanging baskets of colourful flowers in the yard areas. You could probably add more to this list of changes to the College which have made it a more welcoming place to be in. Now



Mr Quinn wants your ideas to make some of the outside yard areas a more stimulating place to be in. He wants something vivid and visually exciting to replace the brick walls. With this in mind he asks for your ideas to enhance your social areas in the form of a mural. Each Year Group will be invited to submit a design for their particular area or an area they feel would be suitable for a mural. The specification is open but ideas must be in collage form and it must be inspirational and uplifting. It can be traditional, representational, surreal or abstract. The themes to choose from are:

- outer space
- underwater
- Fauna and flora landscape
- Oasis magic garden
- Antiquity
- Urban renewal

If you are a creative artist, designer, thinker and have imagination and the desire to make your surroundings more visually interesting to be in, why not enter this competition? For more details and information see Mr Kennedy in DT Room during lunch time. He will have the templates of the chosen walls which are suitable for a mural. The closing date for this competition is and a panel of judges will choose the winning entry by. The prize of course is knowing that your design has been chosen and will, with your help, be painted on a wall in the College grounds for all to see and admire for years to come.



Mr J Kennedy

FRIDAY DECEMBER

Parents should please note that College closes at this Friday. Unfortunately the standard Bus Services will not be available on that day.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our Parents and Pupils a very Happy Christmas and best wishes for the New Year. College re-opens for Pupils on Tuesday, January.